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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s):

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DAVID R. WILLOUGHBYFor: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PREVENTING THE PROPAGATION OF  
INPUT/OUTPUT ERRORS IN A LOGICAL PARTITIONED DATA PROCESSING  
SYSTEM**

Assignee Name: International Business Machines Corporation

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Enclosed are also:

19 Pages of Specification including an Abstract  
 6 Pages of Claims ( Claims 1 - 20 )  
 4 Sheet(s) of Formal drawings  
 A Declaration and Power of Attorney  
 Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation

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